Incidence of Land Tax.

194. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state what proportion of the body of tax-payers pays a land tax of one rupee and less ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Nearly 39 per cent.

Applications for Recognition of English Schools during 1098-1100.

195. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) :

(*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state how many applications for recognition and grants were received from managers of private English schools during the last three years (1098-1100) ? How many of these applications were granted and how many refused ?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for refusing recognition or grant in each case ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The statement* required by the member is laid on the table.

(*b*) Recognition was refused only in cases in which the conditions of recognition had not been fulfilled. Grants were sanctioned to all schools which were conducted satisfactorily and which deserved Government aid according to the grant-in-aid rules.

Fall in the Number of Night-schools.

196. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*):

(*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are in a position to assign reasons for the fall in the number of night-schools during the year 1100 ?

(*b*) Will they also be pleased to state why no grant was given to 29 of these schools ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) During the year 1100, 19 night-schools became defunct. It is reported that this was due to the fact that they could not work up to the requirements of the department, either through inability to get the necessary strength and attendance or through inattention on the part of the management.

(*b*) Five of the schools which were opened in Edavam 1100 have been given aid in 1101, with effect from the date of opening.

Four schools were not working satisfactorily and hence aid had to be refused.

For nine schools no reports on application for grant were received.

Seven schools which had been refused grant-in-aid owing to various defects showed improvement later, and have since been given aid.

Four schools were not aided in 1100 on account of the fact that, in the case of fresh grants, sanction cannot take effect from a date prior to the school year in which it issues, though in the case of three of these schools aid was given in 1101.

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Appendix IV.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 195.**

Statement showing the disposal of applications for recognition and grant received from the Managers of Private English Schools during 1098—1100.

Item.	Year.	No. of applications received.	No. of applications granted.	No. of applications refused.
Recognition ...	1098	64	45	19
	1099	60	27	33
	1100	67	40	27
Grant ...	1098	40	36	4
	1099	49	43	6
	1100	59	52	7